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TAGS: OREP (RIBICOFF, ABRAHAM)

SUBJECT: CODEL RIBICOFF

REF: BONN 13443 (NOTAL)

1. PLEASE INFORM CODEL THAT HERMES DINNER WILL BE HELD AT FOREIGN MINISTRY GUEST HOUSE ON VENUSBERG (BONN SUBURB). TWELVE PERSONS WILL ATTEND, INCLUDING REPS FROM FOREIGN MINISTRY (HERMES, AMBASSADOR JAENICKE); ECONOMICS MINISTRY (ASSISTANT SECRETARY STEEG); FINANCE MINISTRY (ASSISTANT SECRETARY WEBER); MINISTRY OF RESEARCH & TECHNOLOGY (DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY LOOSCH); AND GENERAL DIRECTOR BARTELTH OF KRAFTWERKE UNION, A MAJOR BUILDER OF POWER PROJECTS.

2. WE RECOMMEND THAT CODEL LIMIT ITS AUGUST 29 MORNING SCHEDULE TO TWO APPOINTMENTS, GIVEN DISTANCES INVOLVED AND FACT THAT IT MUST LEAVE FOR COLOGNE AIRPORT BY 1330. WE HAVE ALREADY OBTAINED 1000 APPOINTMENT WITH CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT'S MAIN ECONOMIC ADVISOR, DIETER HISS, WHO IS ASSISTANT SECRETARY IN CHANCELLERY. WE HAVE ALSO SOUGHT APPOINTMENT WITH MINISTER OF ECONOMIC COOPERATION EGON BAHR, A MAJOR FIGURE IN FRG'S ECONOMIC POLICY-MAKING. WE HOPE TO HAVE ANSWER ON BAHR'S AVAILABILITY EARLY NEXT WEEK.

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3. WE UNDERSTAND FROM SCHIFFMAN--TARRANT TELECON THIS MORNING THAT CODEL WISHES MEET WITH CDU/CSU LEADER WELL-VERSED IN ITS FIELDS OF INTEREST. BEST CANDIDATES WOULD BE KURT BIEDENKOPF AND KURT BIRRENBACH. HOWEVER, WE HAVE LEARNED THAT BIEDENKOPF WILL BE AWAY UNTIL SEPTEMBER 1 AND THAT BIRRENBACH WILL BE IN DUESSELDORF ON AUGUST 29. BIRRENBACH MIGHT BE ABLE COME DOWN TO BONN, BUT WE WILL NOT KNOW UNTIL HE RETURNS FROM LEAVE NEXT WEEK.

4. TALKS WITH HISS AND (DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY) BAHR OR BIRRENBACH, FOLLOWED BY EMBASSY LUNCH, WILL CONSUME ALL AVAILABLE TIME. PLEASE ADVISE IF CODEL HAS OTHER PREFERENCE.

5. ROOM NUMBERS AT STEIGENBERGER HOTEL ARE 723 (RIBI-COFFS), 722 (MALMGREN).
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